

KOROROIT CREEK ROAD, WILLIAMSTOWN NORTH

What's happening?

The Level Crossing Removal Authority has been established to remove 50 of Melbourne's dangerous and congested level crossings.

Construction has already commenced at several sites, and planning and consultation is underway for removal of the remainder of the level crossings.

Kororoit Creek Road level crossing in Williamstown North has been fast tracked for removal by the Victorian Government.



Why remove the boom gates?

No more boom gates will mean no more waiting for the 20,000 vehicles that use the level crossing each weekday.

The Level Crossing Removal Project will remove dangerous and congested level crossings that divide communities. This will mean:

- More reliable roads and rail – traffic congestion will be reduced
- Improved safety – crossing the railway tracks will be much safer for pedestrians, cyclists and drivers
- Creation of thousands of jobs during construction.

How will the level crossing be removed?

There are many ways to separate the road and railway line, including lowering the railway line under the road or the road under the railway line; or building a railway bridge over the road or a road bridge over the railway line. There are examples of all these designs across Melbourne, Australia and all over the world.




Over the last few months we have been busy undertaking an initial assessment of the different removal options. Our reviews are taking into consideration the local surroundings such as geography, ground conditions and nearby infrastructure and services. Urban design can also be a consideration, and guidelines have been developed to provide direction for the options. This information is helping us determine if a particular solution is more feasible than another.

WHAT WE'RE CURRENTLY DOING

We are busy carrying out early site investigations and talking with stakeholders, including Hobsons Bay City Council, to complete the initial assessment of options.

You may have noticed geotechnical investigations taking place near the level crossing in November and December 2015. Data collected from these investigations will provide important information about the underground soil and water conditions to help us decide the best design solution for the local conditions.

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What will your level crossing look like?

A team of engineering experts have investigated the various solutions to remove the boom gates at Kororoit Creek Road. We aim to minimise disruption to the nearby Mobil refinery and underground pipelines. Initial analysis indicates the most likely solution to remove the boom gates is to build a rail bridge over Kororoit Creek Road, including:

- Straightening the track through the crossing
- Allowing for the future duplication of the Altona loop in the design
- A combination of bridge structures, earth embankments and retaining walls
- Relocation of overhead power services.

Learn more at our community information sessions



We are keen to understand the local issues and expectations of residents, businesses, road and rail users.

Your feedback on the designs and project is a priority. So what can you do? As a first step, sign up for email updates or connect with us on social media. We'll send you the latest news directly, and also let you know how you can have your say at each stage of the project.

We are holding drop in information sessions in February 2016 to share information about the project and discuss your ideas about the potential design option directly with the project team. Look out for us in your community and at your train station. More details will be advertised soon in your local newspaper. Alternatively you can contact us via the details overleaf.

Timeline

PROJECT STAGE	WHAT'S INVOLVED?
Planning 2015	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Site investigations • Assessment of options to remove the level crossing • Early community consultation
Development Early 2016	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Release of feasible design options • Community consultation and input to design
Procurement Late 2016	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Project is put to tender • Contract to construct the level crossing removal is awarded • Designs are finalised
Delivery Early 2017 to Early 2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community consultation • Early works • Major construction



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